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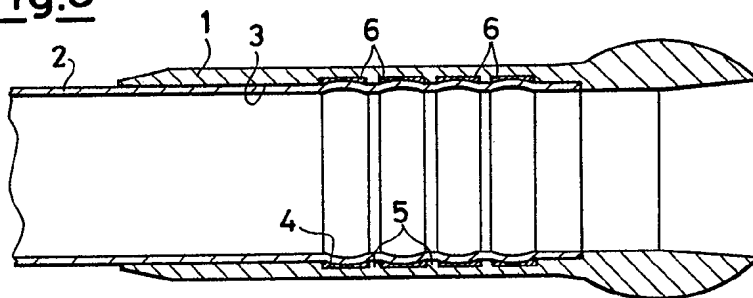
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(54) **Method of joining a sleeve to a pipe**

(57) Method for tightly jointing a sleeve 1 to a submarine pipe 2 laid on very deep sea-bottom, characterized by the preliminary stages of providing a series of grooves 4 on the inside surface of the sleeve, and of filling each one of said grooves with two half-rings (6) made of a material collapsible under high pressures with up to a 70% variation of its volume. The material may comprise glass spheres bonded together by an epoxy resin.

Fig.3



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